

READING RESOURCES

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Florida Center for Reading Research

<http://www.fcrr.org/>

- The Florida Center for Reading Research is jointly administered at Florida State University by the Learning Systems Institute and the College of Arts and Sciences.
- The Center's goals include basic research on reading, reading growth, reading assessment, and reading instruction that will contribute to the scientific knowledge of reading and benefit students.
- This site contains links to reports, classroom activities, articles, podcasts, and training materials.

University of Oregon: Big Ideas in Beginning Reading

<http://reading.uoregon.edu/>

- The University of Oregon provides information, technology, and resources to teachers, administrators, and parents across the country.
- Big Ideas in Beginning Reading focuses on the five "big ideas" of early literacy: phonemic awareness, alphabetic principle, fluency with text, vocabulary, and comprehension. This site includes definitions and descriptions of the research and theories behind each of the big ideas, describes how to assess the big ideas, and gives information on how to teach the big ideas including instructional examples.

University of Texas & Austin: Vaughn Gross Center for Reading and Language Arts

<http://www.texasreading.org/utcrcla/>

- The Vaughn Gross Center is dedicated to improving reading instruction for all students, especially struggling readers, English language learners, and special education students.
- The Center is committed to providing leadership to educators in effective reading instruction through its diversified research, technical assistance, and professional development projects.
- From translating research into practice to providing online professional development, the Center emphasizes scientifically based reading research and instruction.

US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION RESOURCES

Help My Child Read: Reading Resource

<http://www.ed.gov/parents/read/resources/edpicks.jhtml?src=ln>

- This site provides free downloads of publication including "Helping Your Child Become a Reader," "Put Reading First," and "Reading Tips for Parents."
- Also on this site are links to other useful reading resources.

RMC Research: Center on Instruction

<http://www.centeroninstruction.org/index.cfm>

- The RMC Research Center on Instruction is part of the Comprehensive Center network, the Center on Instruction is one of five content centers serving as resources for the 16 regional U.S. Department of Education Comprehensive Centers.
- This site provides SBRR information on K-12 instruction in reading, special education, and English language learning.
- It also contains links to topic-based materials, syntheses of recent research, and exemplars of best practices.

US Department of Education, Reading First, Additional Resources

http://www.readingfirstsupport.us/default.asp?article_id=88

- In addition to listing helpful resources, this site includes progress information on the Reading First program.
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OTHER RESOURCES

Center for Improvement of Early Reading

<http://www.ciera.org/>

- The CIERA Archive is a repository for publications that will be useful to researchers and practitioners in the field of early literacy.
- This includes, “Teaching Every Child to Read: Frequently Asked Questions and Teaching Every Child to Read: Professional Development Guide.”

National Center for Family Literacy (NCFL)

<http://www.familit.org/site/c.gtJWJdMQIsE/b.1204561/k.BD7C/Home.htm>

- Through initiatives, NCFL fuels improvement for disadvantaged children and parents.
- More than 1 million families throughout the country have made positive educational and economic gains as a result of NCFL’s work, which includes training more than 150,000 teachers and thousands of volunteers.

National Institute for Literacy (NIFL)

<http://www.nifl.gov/>

- The National Institute for Literacy, a federal agency, provides leadership on literacy issues, including the improvement of reading instruction for children, youth, and adults.
- In consultation with the U.S. Departments of Education, Labor, and Health and Human Services, the Institute serves as a national resource on current, comprehensive literacy research, practice, and policy.

Pacific Resources for Education and Learning

<http://www.prel.org/>

- Pacific Resources for Education and Learning (PREL) is an independent, nonprofit corporation that serves the educational community in the U.S and countries throughout the world.
- Many of PREL's print publications can be downloaded, viewed on screen, and printed.

Reading is Fundamental

<http://www.rif.org/>

- RIF is the oldest and largest children's and family nonprofit literacy organization in the United States.
- All RIF programs combine three essential elements to foster children's literacy: reading motivation, family and community involvement, and the excitement of choosing free books to keep.
- RIF's accomplishments are due in part to the generous support of the U.S. Department of Education, corporations, foundations, community organizations, and thousands of individuals.

Vanderbilt University, IRIS Website

<http://iris.peabody.vanderbilt.edu/>

- The IRIS Center is a national center that aims to provide high-quality resources for college and university faculty and professional development providers about students with disabilities.
- IRIS seeks to obtain this goal by providing free, online, interactive training enhancements that translate research about the education of students with disabilities into practice.
- Online modules address differentiated instruction, RTI (Response to Intervention), disability, diversity, collaboration, and other important educational issues.